



**American Boer Goat Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Homewood Suites  
Lewisville, TX  
August 3, 2008  
8:00 am**

The meeting was called to order by President John Jones

**Present:**

Troy Veal  
Joe Mueller  
Brian Faris  
Chris Shaffett  
Scott Wetzel  
John Morrow  
Rhonda Edens

Coni Ross  
Sara Davis  
Tina Owens  
Ann Giardini  
Barry Watts  
Doug Widener  
Peggy Taylor

**Absent:**

Tony Brazil  
Jamie Mitchell

Staff: Sherrie Cook, ABGA Accounting Supervisor  
Julie Eikenbary, ABGA Registration Supervisor

Guests: David Edens

**Agenda:**

**I. Research**

The Board received a report on the CL research project for which ABGA had provided the base funding. Dr. Kevin Washburn (TAMU) reports the project has been completed and the results will be available to ABGA in the near future.

**II. Industry Relations:**

The ABGA Board of Directors has been approached by ASI to spearhead a project to form an American Goat Federation under the umbrella of the American Sheep Industry (ASI). This group (AGF) would work within the political and lobby arena for the benefit of the goat industry.

Ann Giardini moved that an amount of not more than \$2500.00 be approved to fund a preliminary study proposal with mission statement to be brought back to the ABGA Board for review and possible approval toward the formation of the American Goat Federation. Troy Veal second

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

**III. Terminal Market Classes:**

There was discussion regarding the feasibility of developing terminal market classes.

Rhonda Edens moved to have Joe Mueller form a feasibility plan for doing a Terminal Class in conjunction with the National Show. John Morrow second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

**IV. Sire of Merit Award Program:**

Full blood or American Purebred bucks may earn this recognition through points

earned by their percentage female offspring but also would include points earned by percentage male offspring through ABGA approved Gain Test Programs. It is structured similar to the Percentage Doe of Excellence Award. It was approved by full board last year but funding has been waiting for software updates to be done in the office.

Coni Ross moved to fund the Sire of Merit Award. Doug Widener second

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

John Morrow moved that points for the program be retroactive back to January 1, 2008, when it was originally slated to start. Brian Faris second.

Voice Vote **MOTION PASSED**

V. General Discussion :

A few minutes were spent in informal general discussion of issues that are occurring within the industry.

There being no further business,

Troy Veal moved to adjourn

The meeting adjourned.